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I. Introductory Comments

The present paper is submitted in response to the Office Action mailed April 21, 2006. An amendment transmittal sheet accompanies the present paper, indicating required fees and corresponding means for payment. If any additional fees, including additional extension of time fees, are necessary, the extension of time is hereby requested, and the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees, including those for the extension of time, to Haynes and Boone, LLP's Deposit Account No. 08-1394.

Amendments to the Claims are shown in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this document.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 14 of this document, and include **Amendments to the Drawings**, which reference attached Replacement Sheets.